



semiautomatic rifles with large magazines designed for military use

**automatic firearm, automatic gun, automatic weapon** - a firearm that reloads itself and keeps firing until the trigger is released

**Breitwurst automatic rifle, BAR** - a portable .30 caliber automatic rifle operated by gas pressure and fed by cartridges from a magazine, used by United States troops in World War I and in World War II and in the Korean War

**machine gun** - a rapidly firing automatic gun (often mounted)

**2. automatic** - a pistol that will keep firing until the ammunition is gone or the trigger is released

**automatic pistol**

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**handgun, pistol, shooting gun, side arm** - a firearm that is held and fired with one hand



**Adj. 1. automatic** - operating with minimal human intervention; independent of external control

**automatic transmission** - "a budget deficit that caused automatic spending cuts"

**mechanical** - using (or as if using) mechanisms or tools or devices; "a mechanical process"; "his smile was very mechanical"; "a mechanical toy"

**manual** - requiring human effort; "a manual transmission"

**2. automatic** - resembling the unthinking functioning of a machine; "an automatic 'thank you'"; "machinelike efficiency"

**automatonslike, machinelike, robotic, robotic**

**mechanical** - using (or as if using) mechanisms or tools or devices; "a mechanical process"; "his smile was very mechanical"; "a mechanical toy"

**3. automatic** - without volition or conscious control; "the automatic shrinking of the pupils of the eye in strong light"; "a reflex knee jerk"; "sneezing is reflexive"

**reflex, reflexive**

**physiology** - the branch of the biological sciences dealing with the functioning of organisms

**involuntary** - controlled by the autonomic nervous system; without conscious control; "involuntary muscles"; "gave an involuntary start"

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## automatic

**adjective 1. mechanical, robot, automated, mechanized, push-button, self-regulating, self-propelling, self-activating, self-moving, self-acting** << OPPOSITE done by hand

**adjective 2. involuntary, natural, unconscious, mechanical, spontaneous, reflex, instinctive, instinctual, unwillful** << OPPOSITE conscious

**adjective 3. inevitable, certain, necessary, assured, routine, unavoidable, inescapable**

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## Translations

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### automatic

**adj automatic** [o.t.e/mak]

1 (of a machine etc) working by itself *an automatic washing machine*.

2 (of an action) without thinking *an automatic response*.

**n**

a self-loading gun *he has two automatics and a rifle*.

**adj**

**automated** [-meɪ]

working by automation.

**adv**

**auto/matically**

*This machine works automatically; he answered automatically.*

**n**

**auto/mation**

(in factories etc) the use of machines, especially to work other machines *Automation has resulted in people losing their jobs*

**n**

**automaton** [o.'tɒmətən]

a human-shaped machine that can be operated to move by itself.

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